

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (currently amended): A receiving apparatus for receiving a broadcast transmission comprising:

 a signal-processing unit for processing the received signal at a plurality of stages;

 a judgment device for determining whether or not it is ~~possible~~ normal to process the signal in at least one of the stages by ~~[[said]]~~ the signal-processing unit; and

 a control device for ~~stopping operation of said signal-processing unit or of~~ cutting a power supply for later stages after said signal-processing unit a non-normal operation stage when ~~[[said]]~~ the judgment device determines it is not ~~possible~~ normal for ~~said signal-processing unit~~ at least one of the stages to process the signal.

2. (canceled).

3. (currently amended): The receiving apparatus according to claim ~~[[1]]~~ 16, wherein

~~said receiving apparatus~~ the judgment device further comprising a memory device for storing judgment criteria; and wherein

~~[[said]]~~ the judgment device determines whether or not ~~[[said]]~~ the signal processing is

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possible based on [[said]] the judgment criteria stored in [[said]] the memory device.

4. (currently amended) The receiving apparatus according to claim 3,
wherein

[[said]] the receiving apparatus further comprising a criteria-change device for changing
[[said]] the judgment criteria based on data contained in the received signal.

5-14. (canceled).

15. (currently amended): A receiving method of receiving a broadcast transmission
comprising:

a signal-processing process of processing the received signal at a plurality of stages;
a judgment process of determining whether or not it is possible to process the signal in
[[said]] at least one of the stages by the signal-processing process; and
a control process of ~~stopping the operation of~~ cutting a power supply for later stages after
~~the signal processing unit, which executes signal processing in said signal processing process,~~
~~when it is determined in said judgment process that said signal processing is not possible~~ a non-
normal operation stage when the judgment process determines it is not normal for at least one of
the stages to process the signal.

16. (new): The receiving apparatus according to claim 1, wherein:

one of the stages comprises a tuner that amplifies a signal received by an antenna,

the judgment device determines whether or not it is normal to process the signal at the
tuner based on the receiving power of the tuner, and

the control device cuts the power supply for later stages after the tuner stage when the
judgment device determines it is not normal for the tuner to process the signal.

17. (new): The receiving apparatus according to claim 1, wherein

one of the stages comprises a demodulation unit that demodulates a signal received by the
demodulation unit,

the judgment device determines whether or not it is normal to process the signal at the
demodulation unit based on whether or not synchronization is obtained during demodulation, and

the control device cuts the power supply for later stages after the demodulation unit stage
when the judgment device determines it is not normal for the demodulation unit to process the
signal.

18. (new): The receiving apparatus according to claim 1, wherein

one of the stages comprises an error-correction unit for removing code error,

the judgment device determines whether or not it is normal to process the signal at the
error-correction unit based on a bit-error rate during error correction, and

the control device cuts the power supply for later stages after the error correction unit stage when the judgment device determines it is not normal for the error-correction unit to process the signal.

19. (new): The receiving apparatus according to claim 1, wherein
one of the stages comprises a decoding unit for returning the encoded data source to the original data,

the judgment device determines whether or not it is normal to process the signal at the decoding unit based on a bit-error rate during decoding, and

the control device cuts the power supply for later stages after the decoding unit stage when the judgment device determines it is not normal for the decoding unit to process the signal.

20. (new): The receiving apparatus according to claim 17, wherein
the judgment device further comprising a memory device for storing judgment criteria;
and wherein

the judgment device determines whether or not the signal processing is possible based on the judgment criteria stored in the memory device.

21. (new): The receiving apparatus according to claim 18, wherein
the judgment device further comprising a memory device for storing judgment criteria;

and wherein

the judgment device determines whether or not the signal processing is possible based on the judgment criteria stored in the memory device.

22. (new): The receiving apparatus according to claim 19, wherein
the judgment device further comprising a memory device for storing judgment criteria;
and wherein

the judgment device determines whether or not the signal processing is possible based on the judgment criteria stored in the memory device.

23. (new) The receiving apparatus according to claim 20, wherein
the receiving apparatus further comprising a criteria-change device for changing the
judgment criteria based on data contained in the received signal.

24. (new) The receiving apparatus according to claim 21, wherein
the receiving apparatus further comprising a criteria-change device for changing the
judgment criteria based on data contained in the received signal.

25. (new) The receiving apparatus according to claim 22, wherein
the receiving apparatus further comprising a criteria-change device for changing the
judgment criteria based on data contained in the received signal.

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26. (new): The receiving apparatus according to claim 1, wherein unnecessary operation of the receiving apparatus is eliminated and power consumption is reduced by cutting the power supply for the later stages after the non-normal operation stage.

27. (new): The receiving method according to claim 15, wherein unnecessary operation is eliminated and power consumption is reduced by cutting the power supply for the later stages after the non-normal operation stage.